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FARMINGTON, 1 : MISSOURI.

The municipality of Nile has trained dogs to draw a cord, with a bush fixed to the end of it, through the small sewers of the city and to clean them.

Queen Macchianna, of Italy, has an Alpine garden 3,000 feet above sea level, which is said to be not only the highest garden in the world, but the most perfect of its kind.

Some time ago a brown bear in Bronx ecological park, New York, was suffering from toothache. It took the combined strength of four men to pull the pointer, after which the bear's former amiable disposition.

In the Wisconsin pine fields there are 15 magnetic separation plants in operation and it is said that this use of electromagnetism is greatly increasing the yield of pine in that district.

Our trade in Spain is at a low ebb, but it is on account of the Spanish tariff. There are a few American articles that sell there better than those from other countries. These are typewriters, watches, cotton goods and oils.

Sacred Rites, of the United States navy, wears a decoration bestowed by the king of Spain for services rendered to officers and men of the Santa Maria, a Spanish warship, on the occasion of a fatal explosion on that ship.

Queen Maud, of Norway, will need little tuition in the speech of her new realm, for she took to the Danish language with instinctive ease during her girlhood. The difference between the two languages, both in vocabulary and pronunciation, are principally distinct.

The total indebtedness of the United States on November 1, 1905, was \$1,244,441,324. France, 1902, \$5,555,700,000; Germany, 1902, \$5,555,700,000; Italy, 1902, \$5,555,700,000; Russia, 1902, \$1,314,601,724; Spain, \$2,951,340,971; United Kingdom, \$4,885,100,823; Austria-Hungary, \$105,104,025.

Consul Goldschmidt reports that there is an excellent opportunity in Nantes and other cities in France for the sale of American office and house furniture, cheap in price and comfortable in style. French furniture is high because it is all hand-made, and the styles are old and uncomfortable.

The natives of the Malay peninsula have in use the smallest current coin in the world. It is a sort of wafer, made from the resinous juice of a tree, and is worth about one twenty-thousandth of a cent. The smallest metal coin in circulation at the present day is the Portuguese three reis piece, worth six one-hundredths of a cent.

Gov. Curtis Guild, of Massachusetts, in his inaugural address, recommended the adoption of a uniform speed law for all vehicles, and Gov. Stokes, of New Jersey, said in his message to the legislature that vehicles of all kinds using the public highways should be required to carry lights for the protection of themselves and the public.

Germany, with its 55,000,000 inhabitants, is the most populous country in Europe, except Russia, and its people are far more intelligent and far more effective as producers than are those of Russia. It ranks next to England among the European powers in the extent of its industries, and in some lines of activity it surpasses England. It is one of the most progressive of the world's nations, and has sent to the United States as ambassadors some of its foremost statesmen.

One of the oddest gifts that Miss Alice Roosevelt received came from an admirer of her father in Boston. It is a two-year-old rattlesnake, which measures close to 12 inches, and at present weighs 14 pounds. The gift is a product of Massachusetts, having been captured at the Blue Hill reservation nearly one year ago by O. T. Mason, of 22 Hanover street, who has spent the most of his life catching snakes for the profit coming from their skin, fat, oils, poison, etc., which are in constant demand in the various colleges of this state.

Mr. Thomas Sammons, the American consul-general at Newchwang, Manchuria, recently visited Port Arthur, and while there met and had an exceedingly interesting chat with Japan's chief military genius and hero, Marshal Oyama. In the course of their conversation the marshal stated that he was going back to his "farm." "The emperor," he said, "called me from the farm to enter the field, and now that there is no more fighting for me to do, and as I am through with soldiering I shall return to the farm."

One of the ablest hydrostatic engineers of New York, Mr. Farmington, made a few days ago the extraordinary statement that the waste of aqueduct water in the city is so great that were it possible to prevent this wastage it would be unnecessary to increase the reservoir and the water supply for many years. In other words, the city is able to commit itself to an indebtedness of \$150,000,000, which is made necessary because the users of aqueduct water in the city persist in wasting it. There seems to be no way by which this can be prevented.

THEN AND NOW.



BEING UNDONE BY GERMANY

MOROCCAN CONFERENCE LIKELY TO BE A FAILURE.

Official Opinion in England Is That Germany Would Rather See It Fall Than Not.

London. — Official opinion in Great Britain regarding the Moroccan conference can be summed up by the statement that "it is now certain Germany desires the Algerian conference to break up without settling the Moroccan question."

It is contended here that not only with refusing what Great Britain calls "the most liberal offer" on the part of France in respect to pulling Morocco, Germany has placed another obstacle in the way of a settlement by making impossible suggestions in regard to the proposed state bank. The belief in Great Britain is that all the efforts of German and British subjects to create a better feeling between their respective countries are being undone by the German attitude at Algiers. In English official circles there is no attempt to hide the discomfort at the source of events at the conference.

The suggestion coming from Berlin that King Edward and Emperor William will meet shortly is officially denied; at least, the foreign office officials say that they have no cognizance of the rumored meeting.

EARLY AND LONG SPRING

That Is the Basis On Which the Most of the Commercial Business Is Being Predicated.

New York. — Bradstreet's weekly review says:

Springlike weather stimulates jobbing distribution, inducing a larger volume of house trade and also helping retail business in spring and summer fabrics. Crop preparations are going forward actively, and at the south some actual planting has been done. Shipments on orders are heavier than ever before, and no complaints of freight congestion are heard. At practically all points an early and long spring season is predicted. At the same time there is an air of conservatism as to the more distant future, due mainly to the larger stocks of winter goods carried over, and also because of the recent heavy drop in raw cotton, making buyers for next season cautious in placing orders. Like conditions are noted in the leading industries. Iron and steel production, while of unprecedented volume, is largely for the first half of the year's requirements, far future orders being of lighter volume.

DR. MINOR WANTED APOLOGY

The President Was of the Opinion That the Least Said About the Matter the Better.

Washington, D. C. — Dr. Minor Morris, whose wife some weeks ago was ejected from the White House, where she had gone to present alleged grievances to the president, Wednesday gave out for publication the correspondence which recently passed between himself and the president regarding the case.

Dr. Morris demanded a public apology of the president "for this outrage on womanhood and common decency."

Secretary Loeb replied to the letter, stating that an investigation by the chief of police showed that the arrest was justified, and that the kindest act to Mrs. Morris and her kindred was to refrain from giving the case additional publicity.

Chapman Leary, G. A. R., Dead. — Chaplain, Kas. — Rev. J. F. Leary, chaplain in chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, died here, Wednesday night, after a long illness, aged 61 years. He was born at Ogdensburg, N. Y.

Husband and Wife Buried Together. — East St. Louis, Ill. — Mrs. Josephine Erhardt, aged 62, died a few hours after the death of her husband, Michael Erhardt, aged 75. They were buried together Wednesday. They were well known, and had resided in this city for a number of years.

CHARLES H. TURNER DEAD

He Was Formerly President of the St. Louis & Suburban Railway System in St. Louis.

St. Louis. — Charles H. Turner, former president of the St. Louis & Suburban street railway system, who turned state's evidence and was a strong witness for the prosecution in convicting leaders who tried to pass the notorious "Suburban bill," died Thursday in his apartment in the Waldorf-Astoria hotel, New York.

His St. Louis relatives were at the bedside, having arrived in New York Tuesday night.

From dispatches from New York Mr. Turner was taken ill several weeks ago, but improved steadily, and no thought of his sickness having a fatal termination was entertained until Monday, when he had a severe hemorrhage of the stomach. From that time he grew rapidly worse and became unconscious Thursday morning.

Dr. Gibbons, who had been attending Mr. Turner, summoned Dr. Janaway, a celebrated specialist, who attended the late Charles T. Yerkes at the hotel, and a consultation was held Wednesday. Mr. Turner rallied that day, but he collapsed Thursday evening, and soon passed away.

Charles H. Turner was best known in St. Louis business and finance as president of the Suburban railroad and of the Commonwealth Trust Co., but he was connected prominently with many of the city's business interests.

PATTISON HAS PARESIS

Ohio's Governor in No Condition to Transact Business and Is Advised to Resign.

Columbus, O. — Doctor E. J. Wilson, physician in attendance upon Gov. John M. Pattison, who, since his inauguration on January 8, has been confined to his home with an illness, the exact nature of which has been carefully kept secret, made the startling statement during habeas corpus proceedings to effect the release of a discharged federal prisoner held there on a warrant from Boston, that the governor was incapable of sustained attention on any subject and that he was so weakened in body and brain that he could not pass on the regulation sought by the Massachusetts authorities.

The requisition was later returned with the governor's signature sprawled across the bottom at the place his secretary had designated with a pencil mark.

A well-known alienist is authority for the statement that the governor is afflicted with paresis. This theory has been patent to several well-informed public officials for some time, dating from the time a bill was returned to the senate with the governor's signature spread out diagonally over its face.

It is persistently rumored that the governor's family and friends are trying to persuade him to resign and seek recuperation at Hot Springs.

JOS. WHEELER MEMORIAL

It Is to Be Held in Atlanta, Ga., March 26—President Roosevelt To Be Invited.

Atlanta, Ga. — The local citizens' committee of arrangements having in charge the memorial of Gen. Joseph Wheeler has made its plans to have the memorial March 26, the day preceding the gathering of the Blue and the Gray. A committee has been named to go to Washington to invite President Roosevelt to be present and make an address on the occasion.

Inheritance Tax Due at Death. — Springfield, Ill. — The state supreme court Thursday in the case of the Martin Kiegan estate decided that residuary legatees must bear their share of the inheritance tax immediately after death of the testator and not at the end of the period of trust.

Castro a Cigarette Magnate. — Caracas, Venezuela. — The Castro government has created a monopoly of the manufacture of cigarettes, obliging all manufacturers to join a trust, in which President Castro and his friends have acquired the lion's share.

JOHANN HOCH IS NO MORE

ALLEGED MURDERER OF FOURTEEN WOMEN HANGED.

His Attorneys Fought to Save His Life Up To the Very Last Possible Moment.

Chicago. — Johann Hoch is dead. The drop fell at 1:34 p. m., Friday. The hardest man to hang Cook county ever knew breathed his last one minute later. The body was cut down at 1:52.

A wall of grief from his fellow prisoners sounded through the jail at the crash that marked the end of a remarkable criminal and the finish of a fight against the penalty for murder that for stubbornness, ingenuity and dramatic features has seldom been equaled.

Hoch stood on the scaffold like a soldier on parade. His last words were: "O, Lord, they know not what they do. Forgive them; I die an innocent man. So help me God. Good-bye."

Hoch was hanged for the murder of Emily Welker-Hoch, one of his many wives.

Hoch obtained a new lease of life when his attorneys, headed by former State Legislator Frank Comerford, applied to the United States circuit court for a writ of habeas corpus to save the condemned man. They argued that Hoch's execution would be in violation of the fourteenth amendment of the constitution, in that the



JOHANN HOCH prisoner, on trial for his life, had been compelled to testify against himself. The court, however, denied the petition, and the execution proceeded.

Hoch is said to have had fully 60 wives and to have murdered 14 of them. Owing to the illness of Sheriff Barrett he was not able to take personal charge of the execution. Chief Deputy Peters had all of the details under his personal supervision.

FARMERS GO ON STRIKE

Two Hundred Thousand Farmers Expected to Unite in Demanding Equitable Prices For Produce.

Indianapolis, Ind. — A strike of the 200,000 farmers, comprising the American Society of Equity, an organization with headquarters in Indianapolis, has been called for March 1. Every one who responds to this call will agree to withhold from marketing any agricultural products excepting at prices that are up to the level that has been agreed as equitable by the officials of this organization.

This organization claims that the producer ought to get at least one dollar a bushel for wheat, no matter what may be the size of the crop. The call for the strike sets forth a minimum selling price on all farm products, prices which the agricultural strikers claim they are entitled to and can get if they stand together.

Kansas and Minnesota are being flooded with copies of this call. It is figured by the officials of the organization that if these states should hold out for the higher price the movement will prove a success.

MAY NEVER BE RECOVERED

Bodies of Dead Fire Fighters in the Old Dominion Mine Are Beyond the Hope of Rescue.

Globe, Ariz. — The bodies of Joseph Ikenberry, Jo Artlesay and John James, who met death in an effort to fight the flames in the Old Dominion mine, probably will never be recovered. All the compartments have been bulkheaded off, and miners are making heroic efforts to subdue the flames. They can not reach the pumps on some levels, however, and it is feared the mine will be flooded, and it will take six months to extinguish the fire. All the miners in the mine when the fire broke out escaped. The dead men were suffocated while trying to put out the flames.

Greek Slashed By Filipino.

St. Louis, Mo. — Value Capore, a Greek, 35, is in the city hospital, and may die. Florentio Quinio, a Filipino, 17, used a razor on the Greek, cutting his throat. The doctors believe the Greek will die.

The Oregon Homeward Bound. — Washington, D. C. — The battleship Oregon, which has seen an extended service in Asiatic waters, is now en route to San Francisco, where, after unloading her stores, she will be sent to the Bremerton yard for an overhaul.

Indorsed By Illinois Miners. — Springfield, Ill. — The United Mine Workers of Illinois unanimously indorsed the action of the national convention of Indianapolis in demanding an increase of 12 1/2 per cent. over the present scale.

THREE DEAD, NINE INJURED

Terrible Results of the Burning of the Kenyon Military Academy at Gambier, O.

Gambier, O. — The Delano and Miner halls and the annex of Kenyon military academy were destroyed by Saturday's fire. Three cadets are dead, and at least nine are injured, three probably fatally.

The dead: Everett Henderson, aged 18, of Illinois; Winfield Scott Kunkle, aged 15, of Ashtabula, O.

James J. Fuller, aged 18, of Warren, O.

The injured: Harry C. Barnes, Cleveland, spine injured and leg broken from jumping four stories; may die.

Lenox W. Baker, Cleveland, internally injured; jumped four stories.

J. Underwood Nicholson, Steubenville; terribly burned about body; may die.

R. A. Shannon, Wellsville, N. Y.; badly bruised from jumping.

Horner Thierwecker, Oak Harbor, O.; badly burned about the arms.

A. G. Barrell, Columbus, O.; feet badly burned.

F. R. Gately, commercial master, Adrian, Mich.; internally injured; may die.

W. O. Dorsey, Dallas, Tex.; badly bruised; jumped three stories.

Arthur Brown, Cincinnati, student at Old Kenyon; badly cut while assisting in the rescue.

Several others were slightly burned in escaping from the building. The charred bodies of cadets Kunkle, Henderson and Fuller were found in the ruins of Delano hall Sunday afternoon.

There is no satisfactory explanation as to what caused the fire.

DAVID B. HENDERSON DEAD

The Former Speaker of the National House of Representatives Fell a Victim To Paresis.

Dubuque, Ia. — Col. and former Speaker David B. Henderson of the national house of representatives died at two o'clock Sunday afternoon at the Mercy hospital, of paresis, which attacked him nine months ago. He began to sink Friday afternoon, rallied Saturday morning, but in the afternoon lapsed into unconsciousness and failed rapidly until the end came. All of his family except a son, in California, were at the bedside.

Col. Henderson had been unable to recognize anyone but his wife since a week ago, except on Friday, when he partly regained his mental faculties. Col. Henderson was stricken with paresis last May, and his condition grew so grave that he was removed to a hospital in September. His condition remained unchanged, except for the usual progress of such a disease, till a week ago last Friday, when he suffered another stroke, which resulted in total blindness. The former speaker failed rapidly, both physically and mentally until Friday, when his mental powers returned for a few hours, followed by a relapse which ended in death. The funeral will be held next Thursday, with services in the Episcopal church, under the auspices of the Grand Army or the Republic. Former Congressman George D. Perkins, of Sioux City, will deliver an eulogy. The body is to lie in state on Thursday at the church.

CASTRO GETTING CHESTY

He Is Going to Clear Out the French and Then Start on Americans, English and Germans.

Willemstad, Curacao. — Late advice received here from Venezuela is to the effect that President Castro says he will humble France, break up the Monroe doctrine, clear out the French from Venezuela and then start on Americans, Englishmen and Germans, who he declares are worse than Chinese. He is reported as saying that he will clear the country of foreigners. He is very bitter against Americans, who he says are after his country.

The populace is yearning for an American protectorate, and the better class of Venezuelans are reported as saying that the situation demands immediate intervention by the United States for the sake of humanity.

BROKE OUT IN FRESH SPOT

The Johnson-Motley Feud in Cannon County, Tennessee, Renewed—Three Wounded.

Woodbury, Tenn. — The famous Johnson-Motley feud in this (Cannon) county has broken out afresh, and as a result the following are fatally wounded: San Blair, shot four times in stomach; Bob Motley, shot twice in groin; Richard Johnson, throat cut. The trouble between the Motleys and the Johnsons originated ten years ago over the operation of an illicit distillery, when blood was shed, and has broken out intermittently since. The renewal came at a young people's "candy pulling."

Soldier Kills Himself.

Lawton, Okla. — While standing on the arch of his quarters, Corporal Hanson, of K troop, Thirtieth cavalry, at Fort Sill, committed suicide by shooting through the heart with his army revolver. He was 24 and is believed to have had trouble with a woman.

Orchard Said to Be Dying.

Boise, Idaho. — Miner Harry Orchard, who alleged confession implicated Moyer and his wood in the assassination of Steunenberg, is thought to be dying in the penitentiary here.

A CONFLICT NOT UNLIKELY

TREND OF DIPLOMATIC OPINION IN RUSSIA.

The Situation Between France and Germany Looked Upon as Making War Inevitable.

St. Petersburg. — The most alarming views with reference to the relations between Germany and France prevail in certain diplomatic quarters where the situation is considered to be extremely tense, and a conflict by no means unlikely. The ambassador of one great European power said that war in his opinion was inevitable and had in fact already been decided upon. "It is said," added the diplomat, who is not ranked among the admirers of Emperor William, "that for the whims of one man Europe must be plunged into the horrors of war."

At the French embassy opinion as to the situation is frankly pessimistic, and the outlook at present is regarded as extremely serious, the view being that there is no telling what may be in store if the conference should break off and France and Germany be left face to face in uncompromising opposition. The abandonment of the French position is regarded as impossible. Emperor William's toast at the banquet in Berlin, Sunday, with its direct allusion to the possibility of war is quoted with apprehension. The pessimists, however, are not general, and German circles, particularly, manifest far less alarm, and affect to believe that war is out of question. The emperor's words were regarded in these German circles as merely natural phrases applicable to his military functions.

MURDERED BY CHINESE

Mission Stations at Nanchang, China, Destroyed and Missionaries Murdered.

Washington. — U. S. Consul General Rodgers at Shanghai cables the state department under Monday's date that the American mission stations at Nanchang and Kienchow have been destroyed; that the 14 American missionaries escaped, but that the Kienchow family (English), two adults and two children are reported to have been killed.

The American gunboat El Cano, at Nanking, has been ordered to proceed immediately to Kienchow, where she will possibly arrive by Wednesday. The scene of the trouble is about 90 miles up the Yangtze river.

A cablegram from Commander Fletcher, the senior officer of the fleet at Shanghai, received at the navy department Monday, confirms Consul-General Rodgers' report.

FIFTEEN THOUSAND SHORT

Why Allen C. Bates, Who Died Trained Position in St. Louis, Killed Himself.

St. Louis. — A professional accountant's examination of the books of Allen C. Bates, secretary of the Mississippi Valley Elevator & Grain Co., who shot himself and died almost instantly, February 14, has revealed a shortage of \$15,000 in his accounts, and Henry W. Sebastian, president of the company, says further examination may increase the amount. Bates shot himself in his den at the family home, 2116 Bell avenue, within 24 hours after he was introduced to the accountant and at the very hour he was to meet the accountant to begin the inquiry. "Mr. Bates was in sole charge of the finances of the company," said President Sebastian to a reporter Monday, "and he handled something like \$2,000,000 a year."

GRAND RALLY OF VETERANS

It Will Be Considered At the Meeting of the Blue and the Gray at Atlanta, Ga.

Washington. — At the annual meeting in Atlanta, Ga., March 28-29, of the National Society of the Blue and the Gray, veterans of '61-'65, a national rally in this city in the near future of all soldiers and sailors who participated in the Mexican war, the war with Spain, the campaigns in China and the Philippines, together with all the Sons of Veterans, will be considered, the plan including a general review before the president. It is proposed that the rally shall continue for one week.

THE BIG DRY DOCK DEWEY

Nature of the Damages Sustained By the Craft in Its Passage Across the Atlantic.

Washington. — The exact nature of the damages sustained by the dry dock Dewey on her passage across the Atlantic is set out in a cablegram from the commanding officer of the expedition, which says the board of survey found loose rivets and rivetheads broken off. Repairs on these and some other defective iron work has commenced and should be completed by March 12, when the Dewey will resume its journey.

The Case of Senator Smoot.

Washington. — Chairman Julius C. Burrows of the senate committee on privileges and elections has agreed with Senator Smoot and his counsel to hear the evidence in rebuttal in the case of the Utah senator on Monday, March 26.

Fighter, Dodging Blow, Breaks Neck. — Deepwater, Tex., Feb. 27. — James Feldon and John Lawless engaged in a fight. In dodging a stick wielded by his opponent, Feldon fell backward into Buffalo barrel and broke his neck. Lawless is in custody.